

core to allow the induction coil to induce current in the induction core. This is not disclosed or suggested in McEachern et al. In McEachern et al. the charger 2 has a coil 9, but the center of the coil 9 is not located at the hole in the core 8. Claim 25, on the other hand, claims that a center path of the induction coil is located at the hole of the induction loop section. The features of claim 25 are not disclosed or suggested in the cited art. Therefore, claim 25 is patentable and should be allowed.

Though dependent claim 26 contain its own allowable subject matter, claim 26 should at least be allowable due to its dependence from allowable claim 25. However, to expedite prosecution at this time, no further comment will be made.

Claim 27 claims a battery charger with a housing comprising a first section adapted to be fixedly stationarily attached to a substantially vertical mounting surface and a second section extending outward from the first section. A portion of the induction core extends at least partially along the second section of the housing, and the second section extends outward from the first section as a general cantilever. These features are not disclosed or suggested in McEachern et al. Nowhere in McEachern et al. is there a disclosure or suggestion of the housing of the charger 2 being adapted to be fixedly stationarily attached to a substantially vertical mounting surface and a second section extending outward from the first section. Nor is there a disclosure or suggestion in McEachern et al. of a portion of the induction core 8 extending along a generally cantilevered second section of the housing. The features of claim 27 are not disclosed or

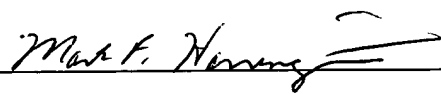
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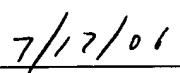
suggested in the cited art. Therefore, claim 27 is patentable and should be allowed.

Though dependent claims 28-32 contain their own allowable subject matter, these claims should at least be allowable due to their dependence from allowable claim 27. However, to expedite prosecution at this time, no further comment will be made.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issue remain, the examiner is invited to call applicant's attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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